

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



**FISCAL NOTE**

**HB 2834 - SB 2679**

February 4, 2012

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Requires physicians to report to law enforcement, within two business days, any wound or injury resulting from exposure to a methamphetamine laboratory or methamphetamine laboratory related fire, explosion, or chemical release. Violation is punishable as a Class a misdemeanor. Grants immunity from any civil or criminal liability to those physicians who report such wound or injury.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

**Assumptions:**

- Notification to physicians of the provisions of this legislation can be accomplished through the Department of Health's online newsletters and will not result in a significant fiscal impact.
- Ensuring compliance with the provisions of this bill will not result in a significant fiscal impact to the Board of Medical Examiners and the Board of Osteopathic Physicians.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-3-1011, all health-related boards are required to be self-supporting over a two-year period. As of June 30, 2011, the Board of Medical Examiners had a balance of \$1,465,207.30 and the Board of Osteopathic Physicians had a balance of \$227,559.19.
- There will not be a sufficient number of prosecutions for state or local government to experience any significant increase in revenue or expenditures.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lucian D. Geise".

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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